### UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

# NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE

208

7590

10/20/2006

WALTER A. RODGERS RODGERS & RODGERS 6100 LAKE FORREST DRIVE SUITE 340 ATLANTA, GA 30328

•	
EXA	MINER
VALENTI	I, ANDREA M
ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
3643	

DATE MAILED: 10/20/2006

	APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
•	10/728,401	12/08/2003	David J. Broel	11287	9772

TITLE OF INVENTION: FLOWER HOLDER AND VASE INSERT

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE DUE	PUBLICATION FEE DUE	PREV. PAID ISSUE FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
nonprovisional	YES	\$700	\$0	\$0	\$700	01/22/2007

THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. THIS APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE OFFICE OR UPON PETITION BY THE APPLICANT. SEE 37 CFR 1.313 AND MPEP 1308.

THE ISSUE FEE AND PUBLICATION FEE (IF REQUIRED) MUST BE PAID WITHIN THREE MONTHS FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR THIS APPLICATION SHALL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED. THIS STATUTORY PERIOD CANNOT BE EXTENDED. SEE 35 U.S.C. 151. THE ISSUE FEE DUE INDICATED ABOVE DOES NOT REFLECT A CREDIT FOR ANY PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE IN THIS APPLICATION. IF AN ISSUE FEE HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN PAID IN THIS APPLICATION (AS SHOWN ABOVE), THE RETURN OF PART B OF THIS FORM WILL BE CONSIDERED A REQUEST TO REAPPLY THE PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE TOWARD THE ISSUE FEE NOW DUE.

#### HOW TO REPLY TO THIS NOTICE:

I. Review the SMALL ENTITY status shown above.

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as YES, verify your current SMALL ENTITY status:

- A. If the status is the same, pay the TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above.
- B. If the status above is to be removed, check box 5b on Part B Fee(s) Transmittal and pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and twice the amount of the ISSUE FEE shown above, or

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as NO:

- A. Pay TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above, or
- B. If applicant claimed SMALL ENTITY status before, or is now claiming SMALL ENTITY status, check box 5a on Part B Fee(s) Transmittal and pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and 1/2 the ISSUE FEE shown above.
- II. PART B FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL, or its equivalent, must be completed and returned to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with your ISSUE FEE and PUBLICATION FEE (if required). If you are charging the fee(s) to your deposit account, section "4b" of Part B Fee(s) Transmittal should be completed and an extra copy of the form should be submitted. If an equivalent of Part B is filed, a request to reapply a previously paid issue fee must be clearly made, and delays in processing may occur due to the difficulty in recognizing the paper as an equivalent of Part B.
- III. All communications regarding this application must give the application number. Please direct all communications prior to issuance to Mail Stop ISSUE FEE unless advised to the contrary.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Utility patents issuing on applications filed on or after Dec. 12, 1980 may require payment of maintenance fees. It is patentee's responsibility to ensure timely payment of maintenance fees when due.

#### PART B - FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL

Complete and send this form, together with applicable fee(s), to: Mail Mail Stop ISSUE FEE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

or <u>Fax</u> (571)-273-2885

INSTRUCTIONS: This form should be used for transmitting the ISSUE FEE and PUBLICATION FEE (if required). Blocks 1 through 5 should be completed where

appropriate. All further of indicated unless corrected maintenance fee notificated in the control of the contro	d below or directed oth	ng the Patent, advance or nerwise in Block 1, by (a	ders and notification ( ) specifying a new co	orresp	ondence address;	and/or	(b) indicating a separ	correspondence address as rate "FEE ADDRESS" for
		ock 1 for any change of address)	]	Fee(s	s) Transmittal. Thi	s certif	icate cannot be used for	domestic mailings of the or any other accompanying or formal drawing, must
WALTER A. R RODGERS & RO 6100 LAKE FOR	ODGERS ODGERS	/2006			Cert	ificate	of Mailing or Transr	
SUITE 340 ATLANTA, GA	30328				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			(Depositor's name)
ATLANTA, UA	30326					•		(Signature)
								(Date)
APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE		FIRST NAMED INVENT	TOR	·	ATTO	RNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/728,401	12/08/2003		David J. Broel				11287	9772
TITLE OF INVENTION:	FLOWER HOLDER A	ND VASE INSERT						
APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE DUE	PUBLICATION FEE D	UE	PREV. PAID ISSUE	FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
nonprovisional	YES	\$700	\$0		\$0		\$700	01/22/2007
EXAM	INER	ART UNIT	CLASS-SUBCLASS					
VALENTI, A	NDREA M	3643	047-041010				<u>-</u>	
CFR 1.363).  Change of corresponded ress form PTO/SE  "Fee Address" indi PTO/SB/47; Rev 03-0 Number is required.  ASSIGNEE NAME All PLEASE NOTE: University of the property of	x/122) attached. cation (or "Fee Address or more recent) attach  ND RESIDENCE DATA ess an assignee is ident in 37 CFR 3.11. Comp	nge of Correspondence  "Indication form led. Use of a Customer  A TO BE PRINTED ON T	data will appear on th	ip to nativ ingle or a attor il be p or typ he pa	3 registered patentely, efirm (having as a gent) and the namency or agents. If printed.  e) tent. If an assignassignment.	membes of upno nam	er a 2 p to le is 3	ocument has been filed for
Please check the appropri	ate assignee category or	categories (will not be pr	rinted on the patent):	_	Individual Co	orporati	on or other private gro	up entity Government
	o small entity discount p	permitted)	A check is enclose Payment by credit	ed. t care	d. Form PTO-2038	is atta	required fee(s), any de	
a. Applicant claims	tus (from status indicate s SMALL ENTITY statu	us. See 37 CFR 1.27.	b. Applicant is no	long	ger claiming SMAl	LL EN	FITY status. See 37 CF	FR 1.27(g)(2).
interest as shown by the r	ecords of the United Sta	ites Patent and Trademark	Office.	iaii u	e applicant, a regi	Sicred .		
Authorized Signature			<del> </del>					
This collection of inform an application. Confident submitting the completed this form and/or suggesting 1450, Alexandria, V	ation is required by 37 Ciality is governed by 35 I application form to the ons for reducing this buirginia 22313-1450. DC	FR 1.311. The informatic U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR USPTO. Time will vary rden, should be sent to the NOT SEND FEES OR	on is required to obtain 1.14. This collection is depending upon the is e Chief Information O COMPLETED FORM	or restindivents	etain a benefit by t imated to take 12 i idual case. Any co r, U.S. Patent and THIS ADDRESS	he pub ninutes mment Traden S. SEN	lic which is to file (and to complete, including to on the amount of time ark Office, U.S. Depart TO: Commissioner of	by the USPTO to process) g gathering, preparing, and ne you require to complete artment of Commerce, P.O. for Patents, P.O. Box 1450,

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.



## United States Patent and Trademark Office

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO. FILING DATE		FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.		
10/728,401 12	/08/2003	David J. Broel .	11287	9772		
208 7590	10/20/2006	EXAM	EXAMINER			
WALTER A. RODGERS	VALENTI, A	VALENTI, ANDREA M				
RODGERS & RODGERS	ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER				
6100 LAKE FORREST DR	IVE		3643	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
SUITE 340 ATLANTA GA 30328			DATE MAILED: 10/20/2006	6		

### Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 0 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 0 day(s).

If a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) was filed in the above-identified application, the filing date that determines Patent Term Adjustment is the filing date of the most recent CPA.

Applicant will be able to obtain more detailed information by accessing the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) WEB site (http://pair.uspto.gov).

Any questions regarding the Patent Term Extension or Adjustment determination should be directed to the Office of Patent Legal Administration at (571)-272-7702. Questions relating to issue and publication fee payments should be directed to the Customer Service Center of the Office of Patent Publication at 1-(888)-786-0101 or (571)-272-4200.